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April 24, 1939.

The postponed meeting of the Executive Committee of the New Jersey Urban League met on the above date at 58 N. Market Street with Mr. Urmond in the chair and the following present: Mr. Bannwart, Mrs. Bannwart, Mr. Brooks, Mr. Garner, Mr. Gillette, Mrs. Moorfield, Miss Shepard, Dr. Phillips.

Minutes of the previous meeting read and accepted.

It had been learned that without further discussion of the matter, the separate Welfare Council has been set-up to operate on a small budget. This will take care of the Social Service exchange.

The situations regarding the insurance for Negroes and the physical examination ruling of the Civil Service are still in the hands of the Legal Committee.

A letter had been received from the Salvation Army still disavowing any policy of segregation in spite of the incident of the previous month.

The annual meeting of N.A.A.C.P. will be held in June 27 - July 2. The Executive Sec'y of the New Jersey Urban League has been asked to be discussion leader on June 29 - no honorarium - but traveling expenses taken care of. Motion by Mr. Gillette, seconded by Mr. Brooks and carried that he be permitted to go.

In considering names for the New Housing Projects, it had been

suggested that an essay contest be conducted in the secondary schools. After some discussions suggestion was made that a list of fifty names of persons both white and colored who are no longer living be made up from which those entering the contest might make their selection.

Treasurer's report:

Disbursements	\$846.73
Bank balance as	
of April 1st	273.52
Outstanding bills	477.50

Dr. Phillips stated that he felt the most pressure in the matter of providing services as in the convalescent home would come from social service workers in other communities. A letter had been sent to Dr. Kingdon and Mr. Stavitsky for a conference appointment since it appears that one of the two convalescent homes is to be closed.

Mr. Brooks has been informed through a letter from the Board of Regents that between 100 and 200 scholarships are available. The next step is a letter to High Schools to see if any Negro boys or girls are eligible to compete.

In the absence of Dr. Marks, Mr. Lett reported for the annual meeting committee. It was not possible to secure a W P A orchestra. Mr. or Mrs. Tillery might be secured to furnish a musical background. The soloist will be Mr. Brewington Kiah.

Mr. Bannwart stated that there were still vacancies on the Board. Mrs. VanFosnak had sent word that so far the Stadium Concert

Ticket Sales are such that they will mean \$50 to the League.

Some interesting publications are

1. A pamphlet of the Newark Public Library listing social agencies.
2. A local study measuring discrimination in the theatres.
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Mr. Lett suggested that resolutions be sent Mr. Ickes commending him on the stand in the Marian Anderson incident. Motion by Mr. Garner seconded by Mr. Gillette and carried that the Board approve the idea and that the Executive Secretary be instructed to carry out the suggestion.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

U.M. Janifer, Secretary